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PUBLIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT PENSION BOARD

pursuant to

PUBLIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT PENSION ACT

for the year ending
March 31, 1983

To the Honourable FRANK C. LYNCH-STAUNTON
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

I have the honour to submit the Annual Reports of the Public Service Management Pension Board, pursuant to *the Public Service Management Pension Act*, and *the M.L.A. Pension Act*, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1983.

Lou Hyndman
MINISTER FOR PENSIONS

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The Honourable L.D. Hyndman
Provincial Treasurer
Minister for Pensions
Government of the Province of Alberta
Edmonton, Alberta

Sir:

I have the privilege of submitting to you the Annual Reports of the Public Service Management Pension Board, pursuant to *the Public Service Management Pension Act* and *the M.L.A. Pension Act* for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1983.

During the year, three of the original members who served on the Board for over 11 years since the implementation of the plan in 1972, retired. They were:

1. Roly G. McFarlane
   Chief Deputy Minister
   Alberta Transportation

2. Tom A. Drinkwater
   Deputy Minister
   Alberta Recreation and Parks

3. Al Bredo
   Former Director
   Finance, Statistics and Legislation Branch
   Alberta Education

These members served the Board with distinction by providing valuable input into decisions required at the time of the establishment of the plan. We wish them all the best in their retirement years.

Three new members - Arnold G. Heisler, Assistant Controller, Alberta Treasury, Art O. Olson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Alberta Agriculture and Clarence J. Roth, Deputy Minister, Planning Services, Alberta Economic Affairs, were added to the Board during 1982-83. Arnold Heisler was also appointed Vice-Chairman of the Board.

During the fiscal year ending March 31, 1983, an actuarial study on the plan was completed. The part of the study which was based on realistic assumptions, produced the following information.

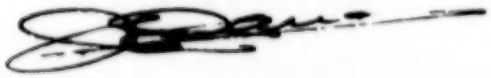
1. The accrued liabilities as at March 31, 1981, under the Public Service Management Pension Act, were $266.7 million without any future cost-of-living adjustments.
2. The cost of annual benefits accruing under the Act, in the fiscal year commencing April 1, 1982, was estimated to be 11.5 per cent of salary without taking into account any future cost-of-living adjustments.

The result indicates that, if cost-of-living adjustments granted by the Government on an 'ad hoc' basis are excluded, the current employer (9%) and employee (5%) contributions are higher than the contributions required to fund the current service benefits under the Plan. The report indicates that some action must be taken to ensure that unfunded liability does not continue to grow. The payment, on a regular basis, of interest on the unfunded liability would stop the unfunded liability from escalating. Consideration should also be given to deal with the liabilities created by 'ad hoc' pension adjustments granted by the Government.

The study reveals that the M.L.A. Pension Plan has an annual cost of 25.70 per cent of the pensionable remuneration of M.L.A.'s when cost-of-living adjustments are excluded. The current contributions of 15 per cent are not sufficient to meet the current service costs.

We wish to acknowledge the assistance of Payroll and Pensions Division of Alberta Treasury in supplying the statistical information for this report.

Respectfully submitted,



J. E. Faries
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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PUBLIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT PENSION BOARD

BOARD CHAIRMAN

J.E. Faries
Chairman
Government Pension Boards

VICE-CHAIRMAN

A.G. Heisler
Assistant Controller, Accounting
Alberta Treasury

MEMBERS

Art O. Olson
Assistant Deputy Minister
Alberta Agriculture

Don Harford
Director
Management Services Division
Personnel Administration
Office

Clarence J. Roth
Deputy Minister
Planning Services
Alberta Economic Affairs

PUBLIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT PENSION ACT

REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD AND OPERATION OF THE ACT

The Public Service Management Pension Board met 10 times during the fiscal year April 1, 1982 to March 31, 1983.

The following general issues were dealt with by the Board during year:

1. Inclusion in the Public Service Management Pension Plan of 'Management' positions in provincial agencies, boards and commissions;
2. Procedure for determination of effective date for calculation of commuted value of pensions;
3. Criteria for approval of Long Term Disability Income Continuance plans;
4. Procedure for prior service recognition and costing;
5. Pension contributions in respect of Long Term Disability Income-recipients;
6. Interest on overdue remittances;
7. Interest on prior service costs paid by assignment;
8. Reciprocal agreement with York University;
9. Reciprocal agreement with Government of Ontario;
10. Guidelines for recognition of prior service in the absence of complete employment records;
11. Employer contributions in respect of employees with 35 years of pensionable service;
12. Employer contributions in respect of M.L.A.'s with 20 years of pensionable service;
13. Review of actuarial tables.

The Board also considered and decided on 37 INDIVIDUAL CASES dealing with various subjects. The following will illustrate some of the topics:

1. prior service
2. participation in the plan by contract employees
3. re-employment of pensioners
4. recognition of private industry service
5. extension of time limit for transfer of contributions under reciprocal agreements
6. change of pension choice after commencement of pension payment.

On behalf of the Public Service Management Pension Board, the Chairman's office conducted 24 employee INFORMATION SEMINARS for employees and representatives of the employers participating in the plan.

Four issues of the Pension newsletter POSTSCRIPT were published and distributed during the year to pensioners who had retired under one of the six pension plans sponsored by Alberta Government. The circulation of this newsletter is approximately 15,500. This publication aims to keep pensioners up to date on pension developments in the province and, to a limited degree, provides a forum for their concerns and views.

In the 10 years of operation between March 1973 and March 1983, the Public Service Management Pension Plan registered a substantial growth in membership. During this period the membership in the plan rose from 1,302 to 4,837 or by about 371 per cent. At the same time the number of pensioners increased from 32 at March 31, 1973 to 791 at March 31, 1983 showing an increase of 2471 per cent. The average pension paid under the Plan was about $1,650 per month as of March 31, 1983.

By March 31, 1983, a total of 739 members had retired since the inception of the plan on July 1, 1972. Of these, 579 members (78 per cent) retired before age 65 while 160 members (22 per cent) retired at age 65. In the last five years, retirements before age 65 have fluctuated between a low of 73 per cent in 1982-83 and a high of 85 per cent in 1980-81. During the same period, over 94 per cent of the retirees chose Normal Pension while about 6 per cent chose Guaranteed Term pensions. Under the Plan, a Normal Pension is paid for the life of the retiree with a 75 per cent benefit to the eligible surviving spouse upon retiree's death. The Guaranteed Term pensions are calculated based on single life pension without the 75 per cent spousal benefit. These pensions are paid for life or term chosen, whichever is longer.

The total amount of pensions paid increased from $686,177 in 1973- 74, the first full year of the Plan's operation, to $14,080,645 in 1982-83. In terms of CASH FLOW, the Plan's receipts have exceeded its payments every year except in 1980-81. The Provincial Government commenced employer contributions (9 per cent of salary) on behalf of departmental employees as of April 1, 1981 resulting in significantly higher excess of receipts over payments for each year thereafter. The annual costs of the benefits conferred under the Plan are mentioned in the Chairman's letter.

The average age of the retirees was 60.40 years in 1982-83, 59.58 years in 1981-82 and 60.25 years in 1980-81.

CONTRIBUTIONS

During the period covered by this report, there were 4,837 contributors' accounts, including 224 accounts held on deposit on behalf of employees who had terminated employment.

Receipts during the year totalled $28,551,415.18, inclusive of employee/employer contributions and a miscellaneous revenue of $496.84. These were deposited into the General Revenue Fund of the Province of Alberta for subsequent transfer to the Pension Fund as per Section 5(2) of the Pension Fund Act.

REFUNDS

Refunds of employee contributions and interest, during the year, to employees who had terminated their service amounted to $404,702.02.

A sum of $328,957.59 representing refunds of employee contributions and interest was transferred to registered retirement savings plans and other registered pension plans without reciprocal agreements.

Refunds of excess employee and employer contributions in the year totalled $172,128.58.

TRANSFERS

Transfers of contributions and interest amounting to $768,424.56 were made during the year to other pension authorities under the terms of reciprocal agreements. Similar transfers from other pension authorities amounted to $2,148,559.03. Details of these transfers and transfers between Alberta Pension Plans made by book entry appear on page 6.

RETIREMENTS AND BENEFITS

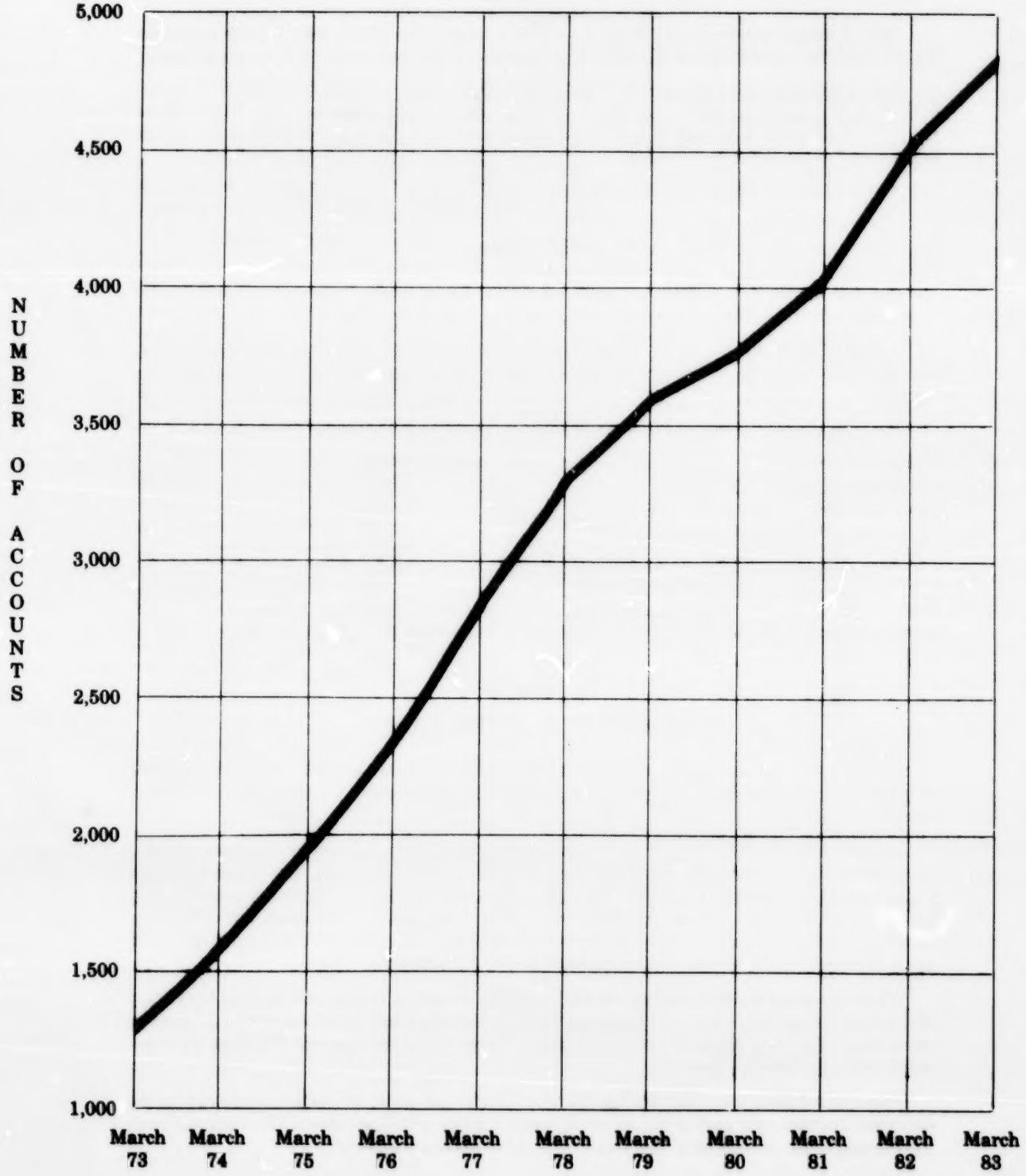
Seventy-nine retirement pensions were granted during the year under the Public Service Management Pension Plan, including five Deferred Pensions which commenced in the fiscal period.

As of March 31, 1983, there were 791 pensions being paid to the retired members or to the beneficiaries of the deceased members and pensioners. Four hundred fifty-seven pensions granted to retired members under 65 were co-ordinated with Canada Pension and/or Old Age Security Pension. Two retired members were being paid pension advances approximating 90 per cent of their estimated Normal Pension pending finalization of their pension files. Total pension payments during the year amounted to $14,038,065.54.

Thirteen members died during the year. Spousal Pensions were granted to ten surviving spouses and lump sum payments totalling $42,579.03 were made to the surviving spouses or other beneficiaries of three deceased members. Three of the ten Spousal Pensions were co-ordinated with Old Age Security.

Ten retired members died during the year. Six of the pensions were transferred to the surviving spouses as a part of the Normal Pension while one Guaranteed Term pension was transferred to the beneficiary. The remaining three pensions expired.

10-YEAR GROWTH IN MEMBERSHIP
(March 1973 to March 1983)



CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

April 1, 1982 to March 31, 1983

	Number of Accounts	Employee Contributions Received	Employer Contributions Received
Departmental	3,894	$ 9,407,939.02	$15,077,062.14
Energy Resources Conservation Board	7	21,908.90	35,835.97
Alberta Liquor Control Board	85	170,475.19	344,584.82
Workers' Compensation Board	46	130,021.21	218,356.62
Alberta Opportunity Company	23	55,274.89	105,020.36
Treasury Branches	404	733,167.14	1,235,393.39
Alberta Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Commission	3	1,536.35	2,740.56
Alberta Petroleum Marketing Commission	9	25,066.19	43,175.19
Westerra Institute of Technology	6	17,089.25	27,030.89
Alberta Home Mortgage Corporation	22	49,840.31	81,499.04
N.A.I.T.	50	108,590.76	180,477.58
Alberta Educational Communications Corporation	29	109,775.14	133,622.76
S.A.I.T.	35	83,042.16	126,597.72
Accounts Held on Deposit	224	15,133.49	10,661.30
Totals	4,837	$10,928,860.00	$17,622,058.34

RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT TRANSFERS

Transfers to and from other pension plans during the year by reciprocal agreement:

Pension Plan	From Management Plan		To Management Plan	
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
Alberta Government Telephones	-	-	7	$ 167,550.92
Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund	7	$ 82,383.69	22	451,610.60
B.C. Public Service Superannuation Plan	14	301,667.42	3	53,204.93
Federal Government Public Service Superannuation Plan	10	218,092.28	29	1,025,848.34
Manitoba Civil Service Superannuation Plan	4	58,992.38	1	52,784.29
New Brunswick Public Service Pension Plan	-	-	1	5,657.56
Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System	-	-	4	94,064.92
Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation	2	37,166.87	1	36,258.08
Ontario Minister of Government Services	4	70,121.92	11	261,579.39
Totals	41	$768,424.56	79	$2,148,559.03

BOOK ENTRY TRANSFERS

The following transfers to and from other Alberta pension plans were made by book entry and are not reflected in the Summary of Receipts and Payments:

Pension Plan	From Management Plan	To Management Plan
Public Service Pension Plan	$ 314,312.15	$3,850,292.82
Local Authorities Pension Plan	840,666.87	243,988.61
M.L.A. Pension Plan	311.08	-
Universities Academic Pension Plan	185,250.76	44,276.27
Totals	$1,340,540.86	$4,138,557.70

RETIREMENTS

(1982-83)

Normal retirement (age 65) *(Section 9(1) of the Act)*	**21**
Early retirement (before age 65 - unreduced pension) *(Section 10 of the Act)*	**52**
Early retirement (before age 55 - reduced pension) *(Section 11 of the Act)*	**1**
Total retirements in 1982-83	**74**
Deferred pensions commenced during the year	**5**
Number of pensions co-ordinated with Canada Pension and/or Old Age Security Pension	**46**
Average Retirement Age in 1982-83	**60.40 years**

PENSIONS

Pensions in effect at March 1983:

Normal Pension	**688**
Guaranteed Term Pension - 5 years	**14**
Guaranteed Term Pension - 10 years	**10**
Guaranteed Term Pension - 15 years	**12**
Guaranteed Term Pension - 20 years	**8**
Spousal Pension - Single Life	**23**
Spousal Pension - Guaranteed Term 5 years	**3**
Spousal Pension - Guaranteed Term 10 years	**4**
Spousal Pension - Guaranteed Term 15 years	**3**
Spcusal Pension - Guaranteed Term 20 years	**26**
Total number of pensions in effect	**791**
Number of pensions co-ordinated with Canada Pension and/or Old Age Security Pension	**457**

SURVIVOR BENEFITS

Number of employees who died in service during 1982-83	13
Number of surviving spouses granted Spousal Pensions	10
Number of beneficiaries granted lump sum payments	3
Total amount of lump sum payments	$42,579.03

SPOUSAL PENSIONS GRANTED
(1982-83)

Spousal Pension - Single Life	1
Spousal Pension - Guaranteed Term 15 years	1
Spousal Pension - Guaranteed Term 20 years	8
Total number of Spousal Pensions granted in 1982-83	10

MONTHLY DOLLAR VALUE OF PENSIONS
at March 31, 1983

DOLLAR VALUE PER MONTH	NUMBER OF PENSIONS & PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL		
	MEMBER PENSIONS	SPOUSAL PENSIONS	TOTAL
$ 0 - $ 499	28 (3.5%)	15 (1.9%)	43 (5.4%)
500 - 999	121 (15.3%)	26 (3.3%)	147 (18.6%)
1,000 - 1,499	162 (20.5%)	12 (1.5%)	174 (22.0%)
1,500 - 1,999	211 (26.7%)	2 (0.3%)	213 (27.0%)
2,000 - 2,499	124 (15.7%)	2 (0.3%)	126 (16.0%)
2,500 - 2,999	56 (7.1%)	2 (0.2%)	58 (7.3%)
3,000 - 3,499	24 (3.0%)	0	24 (3.0%)
3,500 - 3,999	5 (0.6%)	0	5 (0.6%)
4,000 - 4,499	1 (0.1%)	0	1 (0.1%)
	732 (92.5%)	59 (7.5%)	791 (100.0%)

The lowest member pension at March 1983 was $54 per month and the highest was $4,065 per month. The average pension paid to a member was $1,650 per month while the median pension was $1,646 per month.

The lowest survivor spouse pension at March 1983 was $37 per month and the highest was $2,772 per month. The average pension paid to a survivor spouse was $891 per month while the median pension was $856 per month.

RECIPROCAL TRANSFER AGREEMENTS

For the purpose of transferring pension credits on a reciprocal basis, the Public Service Management Pension Board had negotiated reciprocal agreements with the following pension authorities as at March 1983.

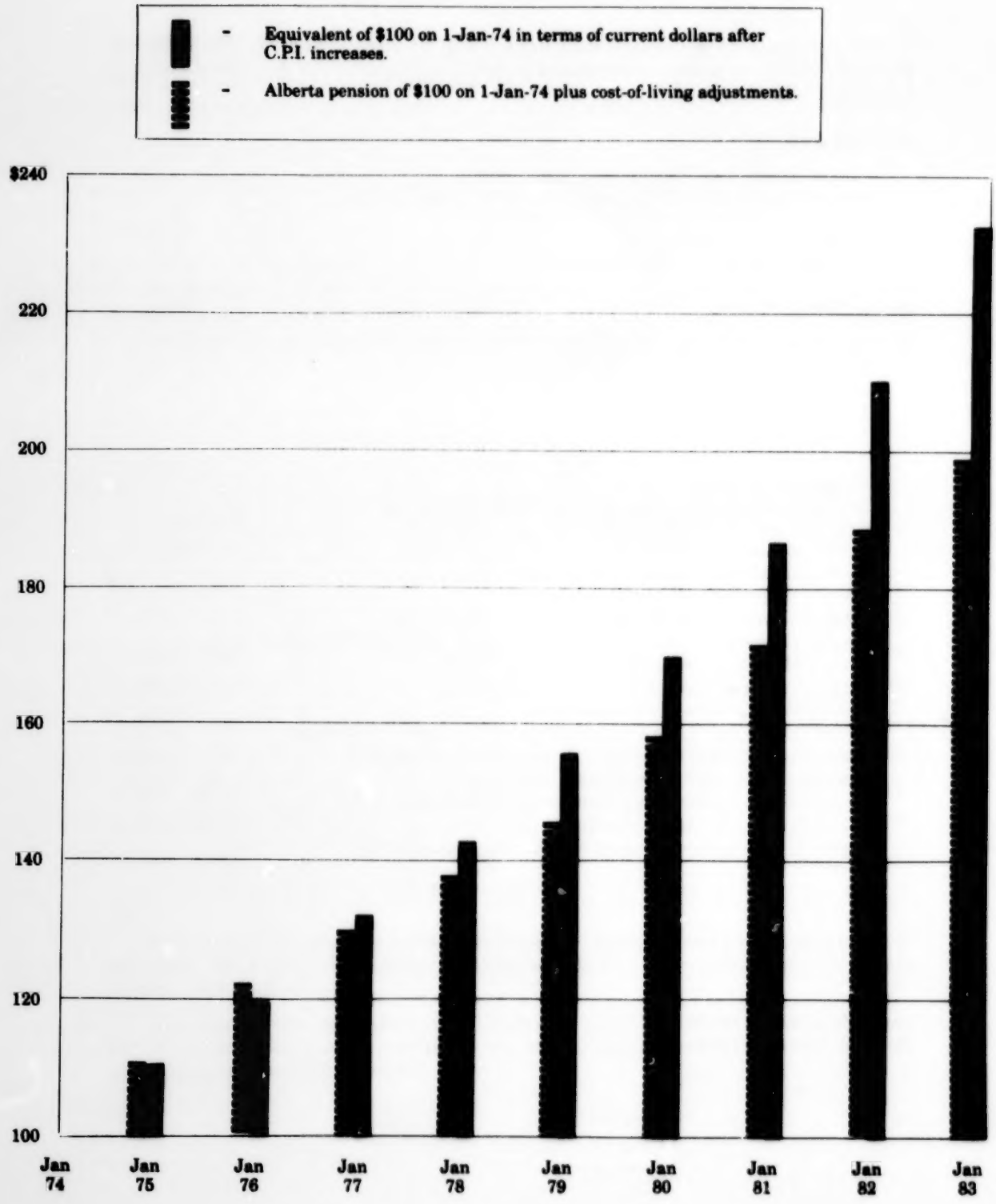
IN ALBERTA

Alberta Government Telephones Pension Board
Board of Administrators, Teachers' Retirement Fund
Local Authorities Pension Board
Public Service Pension Board
Universities Academic Pension Board

OUTSIDE ALBERTA

Government of Canada, Treasury Board
Government of British Columbia
Government of Manitoba
Government of New Brunswick
Government of Ontario
Government of Prince Edward Island
Government of Saskatchewan
Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Federal Business Development Bank
Council of Maritime Premiers
Board of Governors, Dalhousie University
Board of Governors, University of Regina
Board of Governors, York University
Board of Governors, Ontario Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology
Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System
Ontario Teachers' Superannuation Commission
Saskatchewan Health Care Association
Saskatchewan Municipal Employees' Superannuation Commission
Saskatchewan Power Corporation Superannuation Board
Saskatchewan Crown Investments Corporation
Saskatchewan Teachers' Superannuation Commission
Health Sciences Centre of Manitoba
Regina Civic Employees' Superannuation and Benefits Plan

PROTECTION OF ALBERTA PENSIONS FROM C.P.I. INCREASES
(1974 - 1983)



PENSION ADJUSTMENT REGULATIONS

To provide an adjustment to pensions granted under the Act for the purpose of maintaining approximate parity with cost of living, *Section 2* of *The Public Service Management Pension Adjustment Regulations,* being Alberta Regulation 16/73, as amended, was further amended to authorize the following adjustments to pensions effective January 1, 1983.

(a) pensions granted on or before January 1, 1982 were increased by 5.00%;

(b) pensions granted after January 1, 1982, but on or before February 1, 1982 were increased by 4.58%;

(c) pensions granted after February 1, 1982, but on or before March 1, 1982 were increased by 4.17%;

(d) pensions granted after March 1, 1982, but on or before April 1, 1982, were increased by 3.75%;

(e) pensions granted after April 1, 1982, but on or before May 1, 1982, were increased by 3.33%;

(f) pensions granted after May 1, 1982, but on or before June 1, 1982, were increased by 2.92%;

(g) pensions granted after June 1, 1982, but on or before July 1, 1982, were increased by 2.50%;

(h) pensions granted after July 1, 1982, but on or before August 1, 1982, were increased by 2.08%;

(i) pensions granted after August 1, 1982, but on or before September 1, 1982, were increased by 1.67%;

(j) pensions granted after September 1, 1982, but on or before October 1, 1982, were increased by 1.25%;

(k) pensions granted after October 1, 1982, but on or before November 1, 1982, were increased by 0.83%;

(l) pensions granted after November 1, 1982, but on or before December 1, 1982, were increased by 0.42%.

(Alberta Regulation 543/82)

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

July 1, 1972 to March 31, 1983

FISCAL YEAR	RECEIPTS			PAYMENTS			EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS
	Employee Contributions $	Employer Contributions $	Total $	Benefits $	Withdrawals $	Total $	$
1972-73	937,801.84	22,447.49	960,249.33	170,818.97	23,716.21	194,535.18	765,714.15
1973-74	2,457,987.90	189,407.66	2,647,395.56	686,177.63	55,688.47	741,866.10	1,905,529.46
1974-75	2,086,692.14	227,948.40	2,314,640.54	1,309,532.88	226,885.78	1,536,418.66	778,221.88
1975-76	3,353,018.70	354,163.93	3,707,182.63	2,078,978.29	194,699.63	2,273,677.92	1,433,504.71
1976-77	3,955,773.16	470,146.03	4,425,919.19	2,852,609.74	306,577.64	3,159,187.38	1,266,731.81
1977-78	5,087,647.79	941,777.48	6,029,425.27	3,901,550.04	375,637.74	4,277,187.78	1,752,237.49
1978-79	5,956,274.45	1,104,855.41	7,061,129.86	4,910,598.50	641,729.25	5,552,327.75	1,508,802.11
1979-80	6,497,451.98	2,256,050.28	8,753,502.26	6,716,729.36	934,485.17	7,651,214.53	1,102,287.73
1980-81	7,281,051.00	1,537,812.00	8,818,863.00	8,739,832.00	1,059,814.00	9,799,646.00	(980,783.00)
1981-82	9,159,614.77	14,673,611.57**	23,833,226.34	11,465,388.30	1,408,705.80	12,874,094.10	10,959,132.24
1982-83	10,928,860.00	17,622,058.34**	28,551,415.18*	14,080,644.57	1,674,212.75	15,754,857.32	12,796,557.86

** Includes Miscellaneous revenue of $496.84*

*** Increases in Employer contributions reflect Government's policy to make Employer contributions for its employees effective April 1, 1981.*

Note: "Excess of Receipts over Payments" does not include any interest which these funds might have earned during the year.

PUBLIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT PENSION ACT

Summary of Receipts and Payments
for the year ended 31-Mar-83

RECEIPTS

	1982-83	1981-82
Contributions:		
Employees	$10,928,860.00	$ 9,159,614.77
Employers	17,622,058.34	14,673,611.57
Miscellaneous Revenue*	496.84	—
	$28,551,415.18	$23,833,226.34

PAYMENT

Benefits:		
Pensions and annuities	$14,038,065.54	$11,454,527.24
Payment to beneficiaries	42,579.03	10,861.06
	$14,080,644.57	$11,465,388.30
Withdrawals:		
Contributions and interest in respect of employees leaving the service	$ 404,702.02	$ 620,856.46
Contributions and interest in respect of employees transferred to other pension authorities without reciprocal agreements	328,957.59	415,373.06
Contributions and interest in respect of employees transferred to other pension authorities with reciprocal agreements	768,424.56	305,805.25
Refund of excess contributions	172,128.58	66,671.03
	$ 1,674,212.75	$ 1,408,705.80
	$15,754,857.32	$12,874,094.10
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over payments for the year	$12,796,557.86	$10,959,132.24

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* *Miscellaneous Revenue represents interest earned on overdue accounts receivable.*

Note: The receipts and payments shown above do not reflect the transfers of contributions and interest to and from other Alberta plans, made by book entry.

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THE M.L.A. PENSION ACT

CONTRIBUTIONS

During the period covered by this report, there were 121 pension accounts for Members of the Legislative Assembly, under Parts 1, 2 and 3 of *the M.L.A. Pension Act*. Member and Government contributions during the year amounted to $344,941.56 and $241,377.19 respectively.

RETIREMENTS AND BENEFITS

Twenty-three retirement pensions were granted during the year — 15 under Part 1 of the Act (Members of the Legislative Assembly) and 8 under Part 2 of the Act (Members of the Executive Council).

Two retired members died during the year and their pensions were transferred to the surviving spouses to complete the guaranteed term.

As of March 1983, there were 90 pensioners, including retired members, survivor spouses and other beneficiaries of deceased pensioners and members in receipt of 134* pensions. Thirty-six of the pensions were co-ordinated with Canada Pension and/or Old Age Security.

Total pension payments during the year amounted to $1,051,596.30.

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* *The number of pensions is larger than the number of pensioners, as in addition to M.L.A. pensions (Part 1), some are also drawing pensions under Part 2 (Members of the Executive Council) and Part 3 (Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Leader of the Opposition).*

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

April 1, 1982 to March 31, 1983

PART OF ACT	NUMBER OF ACCOUNTS	CONTRIBUTIONS	
		MEMBERS	GOVERNMENT
Part I of the Act *(Members of the Legislative Assembly)*	84	$251,188.71	$162,127.62
Part II of the Act *(Members of the Executive Council)*	34	90,207.38	75,704.10
Part III of the Act *(Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Leader of the Opposition)*	3	3,545.47	3,545.47
Totals	121	$344,941.56	$241,377.19

TRANSFERS

The following transfers were made during the year from other Alberta pension plans to the M.L.A. Pension Plan by book entry and are not reflected in the Summary of Receipts and Payments:

PENSION PLAN	TRANSFER FROM M.L.A.P.P.	TRANSFER TO M.L.A.P.P.
Local Authorities Pension Plan	-	$12,954.44
Public Service Management Pension Plan	-	311.08
Total	-	$13,265.52

RETIREMENTS

1982-83

Normal retirement (after age 55)	**15**
(Co-ordinated with Canada Pension and/or Old Age Security 4)	
Early retirement (before age 55) - pension reduced	**8**
(Co-ordinated with Canada Pension and/or Old Age Security 5)	
Total retirements during the year	**23**

PENSIONS

Pensions in effect at March 1983:

Under Part 1 of the Act	**86**
(Members of the Legislative Assembly)	
Under Part 2 of the Act	**44**
(Members of the Executive Council)	
Under Part 3 of the Act	**4**
(Speaker, Deputy Speaker and the Leader of the Opposition)	
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Types of pensions in effect at March 1983:

Normal Pension	**71**
Single Life Pension	**4**
Guaranteed Term Pension - 10 years	**12**
Guaranteed Term Pension - 15 years	**7**
Guaranteed Term Pension - 20 years	**23**
Joint Life Pension	**9**
Joint Life Pension reducible by ⅓ at first death	**3**
Joint Life Pension reducible by ½ at first death	**2**
Spousal Pension - Guaranteed Term 10 years	**1**
Spousal Pension - Guaranteed Term 20 years	**2**
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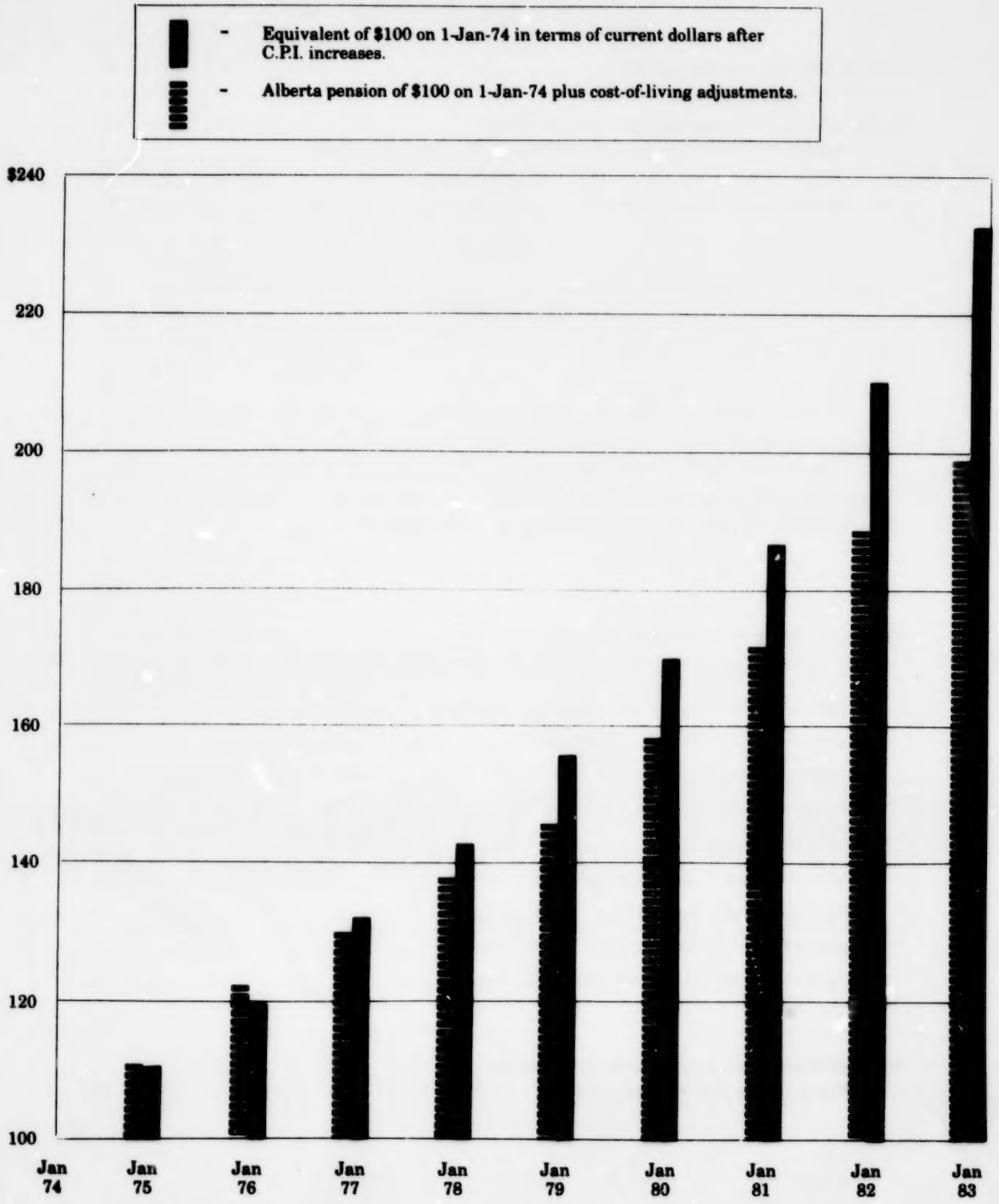
Number of pensions co-ordinated with Canada Pension and/or the Old Age Security	**36**

PROTECTION OF ALBERTA PENSIONS FROM C.P.I. INCREASES
(1974 - 1983)



PENSION ADJUSTMENT REGULATIONS

To provide an adjustment to pensions granted under the Act for the purpose of maintaining approximate parity with cost of living, *Section 4 of the M.L.A. Pension Adjustment Regulations*, being Alberta Regulation 305/69, as amended, was further amended to authorize the following adjustments effective January 1, 1983:

(a) pensions granted on or before January 1, 1982 were increased by 5.00%;

(b) pensions granted after January 1, 1982 but on or before February 1, 1982, were increased by 4.58%;

(c) pensions granted after February 1, 1982 but on or before March 1, 1982, were increased by 4.17%;

(d) pensions granted after March 1, 1982 but on or before April 1, 1982, were increased by 3.75%;

(e) pensions granted after April 1, 1982 but on or before May 1, 1982, were increased by 3.33%;

(f) pensions granted after May 1, 1982 but on or before June 1, 1982, were increased by 2.92%;

(g) pensions granted after June 1, 1982 but on or before July 1, 1982, were increased by 2.50%;

(h) pensions granted after July 1, 1982 but on or before August 1, 1982, were increased by 2.08%;

(i) pensions granted after August 1, 1982 but on or before September 1, 1982, were increased by 1.67%;

(j) pensions granted after September 1, 1982 but on or before October 1, 1982, were increased by 1.25%;

(k) pensions granted after October 1, 1982 but on or before November 1, 1982, were increased by 0.83%;

(l) pensions granted after November 1, 1982, but on or before December 1, 1982, were increased by 0.42%.

(Alberta Regulation 542/82)

MONTHLY DOLLAR VALUE OF PENSIONS

Monthly dollar value of pension cheques at March 1983:

DOLLAR VALUE PER MONTH	NUMBER OF PENSIONS & PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL		
	MEMBER PENSIONS	SPOUSAL PENSIONS	TOTAL
$ 0 - $ 499	37 (29.6%)	1 (0.8%)	38 (30.4%)
500 - 999	55 (44.0%)	1 (0.8%)	56 (44.8%)
1,000 - 1,499	20 (16.0%)		20 (16.0%)
1,500 - 1,999	5 (4.0%)		5 (4.0%)
2,000 - 2,499	5 (4.0%)		5 (4.0%)
2,500 - 2,999	1 (0.8%)		1 (0.8%)
	123 (98.4%)	2 (1.6%)	791*(100.0%)

The lowest member pension at March 1983 was $45.00 per month while the highest was $2,827.00 per month. The average pension cheque to members was $822 per month while the median pension cheque was $722 per month.

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* *This is the number of pension cheques issued at March, 1983 and NOT the number of pensions in force. The number of cheques is smaller, as some pensioners are drawing one consolidated cheque for their pension entitlement under Parts 1, 2 and/or 3 of the Act.*

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

April 1, 1969 to March 31, 1983

FISCAL YEAR	RECEIPTS			PAYMENTS			EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS
	Employee Contributions $	Employer Contributions $	Total $	Benefits $	Withdrawals $	Total $	$
1969-70	35,389.30	-	35,389.30	53,995.44	4,588.09	58,583.53	(23,194.23)
1970-71	39,815.53	-	39,815.53	58,973.42	5,350.78	64,324.20	(24,508.67)
1971-72	66,474.71	-	66,474.71	185,914.40	14,186.15	200,100.55	(133,625.84)
1972-73	87,603.29	-	87,603.29	264,453.36	3,731.13	268,184.49	(180,581.20)
1973-74	101,011.86	-	101,011.86	278,276.89	1,931.32	280,208.21	(179,196.35)
1974-75	109,666.52	-	109,666.52	287,317.48	4,063.51	291,380.99	(181,714.47)
1975-76	142,849.77	-	142,849.77	424,788.31	1,199.34	425,987.65	(283,137.88)
1976-77	129,092.46	-	129,092.46	449,087.82	-	449,087.82	(319,995.36)
1977-78	134,618.88	-	134,618.88	469,422.89	125.19	469,548.08	(334,929.20)
1978-79	189,429.05	-	189,429.05	575,727.96	3,597.48	579,325.44	(389,896.39)
1979-80	222,927.96	-	222,927.96	762,904.16	-	762,904.16	(539,976.20)
1980-81	265,818.00	-	265,818.00	820,977.00	441.00	821,418.00	(555,600.00)
1981-82	263,435.16	238,899.11	502,334.27	883,294.99	-	883,294.99	(380,960.72)
1982-83	344,941.56	241,377.19	586,318.75	1,051,596.30	30,348.77	1,081,945.07	(495,626.32)

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SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

for the year ended 31-Mar-83

RECEIPTS

	1982-83	1981-82
Contributions:		
Members of the Legislative Assembly	$ 344,941.56	$ 263,435.16
Government of Alberta	241,377.19	238,899.11
	$ 586,318.75	$ 502,334.27

PAYMENTS

Benefits:		
Pensions and annuities	$ 1,051,596.30	$ 883,294.99
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Withdrawals:		
Contributions and interest in respect of members leaving the service	$ 15,542.38	-
Contributions and interest in respect of members transferred to other pension authorities without reciprocal agreements	2,444.88	-
Refund of excess contributions	12,361.51	-
	$ 30,348.77	-
	$ 1,081,945.07	$ 883,294.99
Excess (Deficiency) of receipts over payments for the year	$ (495,626.32)	$ (380,960.72)

Note: The receipts and payments shown above do not reflect the transfers of contributions and interest to and from other Alberta pension plans, made by book entry.